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Copyright Royalty Board

Before the COPYRIGHT ROYALTY JUDGES Washington, DC

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In the Matter of)	
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Distribution of the)	Docket No. 2012-10 CRB SD 2011
2011 Satellite Royalty Funds)	

COMMENTS OF THE JOINT SPORTS CLAIMANTS

The Office of the Commissioner of Baseball, the National Basketball Association, the National Football League, the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the National Hockey League and the Women's National Basketball Association (collectively the "Joints Sports Claimants" or "JSC") submit the following response to the Notice published at 78 Fed. Reg. 4169 (Jan. 18, 2013) ("Notice"). The Notice seeks comments related to the Motion of Phase I Parties for Partial Distribution (filed Dec. 12, 2012), which requests the Copyright Royalty Judges (a) to distribute 50% of the 2011 satellite royalties to the Phase I Parties, including JSC; and (b) to distribute those funds in bulk to a common agent (the Office of the Commissioner of Baseball). The Notice also seeks comment on the "existence and extent" of any Phase I and II controversies involving the 2011 satellite royalty funds. *See* Notice at 4169.

The status of Phase I controversies is addressed in the Comments of Phase I Parties filed on February 19, 2013. With respect to the existence of Phase II controversies in the sports category, JSC represents that there are no controversies among or between JSC and any of its individual members.

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Respectfully submitted,

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